ture involved in the release of 10 T.V. Spots by the Food Corporation of India was about Rs. 10 lakhs. The Delhi Administration has spent about Rs. 31,000 for publicity on T.V. and other media.

Loss of food-grains suffered by FCI

808. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the absence of proper storage and maintenance facilities, a large quantity of food-grains of the Food Corporation of India rots every year;

(b) what is the loss incurred by the Food Corporation of India on this account every year during the last three years; and

(c) what efforts have been made to increase storage capacity and ensure effective maintenance of foodgrains procured by F.C.I. and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Qualified Technical Personnel of Food Corporation of India take care of foodgrain stocks during storage. However, at times, damage to foodgrains occur on account of floods, cyclones and rains, etc. as well as transit and storage. Details of foodgrains thus damaged during the last 3 years are given below :—

(Figures in lakh tonnes)

As on	Total food-grains stock stored by FCI in covered/ CAP	Total stocks damaged during the corresponding year ending 31st March	%age of stocks damaged.
1-4-82	100.20	0.78	0.77
1-4-83	112.30	0.48	0.42
1-4-84	117.80	1.01	0.86

(c) To augment the storage capacity and ensure effective maintenance of foodgrains procured by FCI, the following steps have been/are being taken :—

(i) During 1985-86 the FCI, Central Warehousing Corporation and the State Warehousing Corporations taken together are expected to construct additional covered storage capacity of 16.95 lakh tonnes for foodgrains;

(ii) FCI is also making temporary storage arrangement by hiring additional covered storage capacity from CFC, SWCs and other sources;

(iii) FCI is exploring the possibility of getting storage capacity constructed through private parties against loans to be given by the commercial banks to such parties;

(iv) Steps are being taken by the Corporation to step up utilisation of the available storage capacity by increasing the stack height; and

(v) The stocks are maintained by qualified staff by following the prescribed techniques.

Restrictions on high rise buildings in the Capital

809. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration of Government to

impose restrictions on the construction of high rise buildings in the Capital; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when such restrictions are proposed to come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Orders have been issued on 17-10-85 that no new sanction should issue for construction of Multi-Storeyed buildings in New Delhi including areas under the Delhi Development Authority and Municipal Corporation of Delhi falling in South Delhi till the Perspective Master Plan of Delhi for 2001 has been finanlised. Multi-storeyed buildings are to be taken as buildings going beyond 45 ft. or above 4 storeys, which have to be serviced by lifts.

T.V. tower at Pitampura

810. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the progress so far made in the construction of a T. V. tower at Pitampura, Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that the progress of construction is very slow;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(d) what was the actual cost of construction of the said T.V. tower and what is the present estimated cost there; and

(e) by when the construction of the said T.V. tower is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL): (a) The construction of 235 metre high R.C.C. TV tower at Pitampura, Delhi has been completed upto a height of 142.00 metres.

(b) and (c) Whereas the progress of construction of the tower is considered satisfactory at present, there had been some delay in earlier stages of its construction caused by such factors as finalisation of design parameters, etc.

(d) The cost of construction of the tower is estimated at Rs. 489.61 lakhs as against the originally approved expenditure of Rs. 289.50 lakhs. The increase in expenditure has been caused mainly because of certain additional items of work.

(e) The construction of the tower is expected to be completed in the latter half of 1986.

Pending Bihar projects

811. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the projects of Bihar, pending for clearance by the Central Water and Power Board;

(b) the time since when these are under consideration;

(c) what are the reasons for which these have been held up; and

(d) whether these are likely to be cleared within this year or included in the Seventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) 4 Major and 13 Medium Irrigation projects of Bihar are under techno-economic examination by Central Water Commission, in consultation with the State Authorities. In addition, Central Water Commission has sent comments on 7 Major and 3 Medium projects to State Government for clarification. Their names and date of receipt are given below: